

ANNUAL BANQUET OF ENGINEERS

University of Vermont Professors,
Alumni and Students Discuss
Practical Subjects.

ATTENDANCE OF ABOUT 160

Governor John A. Mead, Supt.
Mason S. Stone, Judge George
M. Powers and Other
Guests of Honor.

Easily the most successful banquet yet held by the college of engineering of the University of Vermont was the fourth annual dinner of the department Monday evening at the Hotel Vermont.

The attendance was larger than in any former year, numbering some 160 guests of honor, alumni of the university, undergraduates and others. Enthusiasm ran high. The addresses were uniformly of excellent character, especially that of Judge Powers, which was marked by dignity of expression and weight of thought, rare enough in "these degenerate days."

One of the happiest features of the entire evening was the frequent appearance of the college quartette, made up of J. Randall Roberts, '12, Douglas J. Roberts, '14, J. Emerson Gibson, '15, and Harold A. Mayforth, '15. Between the courses they rendered selections, leading the singing of college songs by the gathering afterward.

The guests took their places in the dining room of the hotel shortly after eight o'clock. The Rev. Ernest Graham Guthrie, pastor of the First Church, said grace.

President Benton of the university presided at the post-prandial exercises. He expressed the hope that the coming development of Vermont might lead more graduates of this college to find their field of effort in this State. He read several communications, including a letter from Prof. W. H. Friedman of Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, and formerly of the University of Vermont, who sent congratulations and best wishes to the class of 1912.

The president then called upon Governor John A. Mead, who was greeted by the rise of the entire gathering. The Governor was visibly affected by the hearty tribute which he received.

GOV. MEAD'S ADDRESS.

Governor Mead made a strong plea for the development of Vermont's "white coal," as he termed the natural water-power of the State. It will be far better, said he, to save the millions of dollars sent into other States for coal, and put them into the building of water-power plants.

From the daily shipments of train loads of milk into other States he drew a similar lesson, urging that the further development of our "white coal" would be of great benefit to the Green Mountain farmers.

"Vermont," said the governor, "is the only State in the Union where there is a cow for nearly every inhabitant."

"Let us go forward and so develop this State," said he in conclusion, "that coming generations will rise up and call us blessed."

The university men followed with a lusty yell for the Governor, as in the case also of each speaker following.

MAYOR ROBERTS.

The president called next upon Mayor Robert Roberts of Burlington, who dwelt in a vein at once serious and humorous, upon the advantages in the education and training of an engineer.

"After our natural resources have been fully developed," declared the mayor, "Vermont will still possess her natural beauties unspoiled."

After a cheer for the mayor, President Benton spoke briefly of the recent development of Morrisville, by way of an introduction of Judge George M. Powers of the supreme court of Vermont and a resident of that town.

JUDGE POWERS.

"What is Burlington doing for this university?" asked Judge Powers.

"Is this city living up to the full realization of the opportunity it has in the possession of this institution? And if not, why not?" he concluded.

The college yell following this question was especially enthusiastic.

SUPT. STONE.

Mason S. Stone, State superintendent of education, was the next speaker. He ventured the prophecy that Vermont homes and farms will one day be run by electricity.

"And even our State may be run by electricity," he suggested humorously.

SPEAKER HOWE.

Speaker Frank E. Howe of the lower house of the Legislature and editor of the Bennington Banner followed.

Mr. Howe outlined the water power development of the Deerfield valley.

"This is an inter-State problem," said he. "The power arises in Vermont and is utilized by Massachusetts industries. The question is, which State owns the power?"

The speaker pointed out the importance of the small water power sources, as well as the larger ones.

"It is the hard work of the women of Vermont farms that is driving people out of the State," he declared, and was followed by applause. "It is you young men who must solve this and other problems."

At the suggestion of Dr. Benton, "Champlain," to which he referred as the best college song in America, was sung by the entire gathering.

PROF. VOTEY.

Dean J. W. Votey, the next speaker, was received by the engineers standing. Prof. Votey traced the importance of water power in the early history of Vermont, as evidenced by the old dams and mill sites. But this power had to be utilized at the source, and the coming of transportation facilities changed this condition.

AT PRESENT, SAID HE, RAINFALL IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THE PRODUCTION OF WATER POWER. PROFESSOR VOTEY, WHO TOOK CHARGE OF THE PROGRAM AT THE SUGGESTION OF PRESIDENT BENTON, THEN CALLED UPON FORECASTER JOHN K. HOOPER OF THE LOCAL WEATHER BUREAU STATION, WHO EXPLAINED THE RELATION OF THE VARIOUS FACTORS GOVERNING RAINFALL.

Mr. Hooper knocked the bottom out of the idea that great battles produce rainfall when he said, "rain falls on an average, once in three days in any country populous enough to support a large army, and most great battles are started in fair weather."

State Forester A. F. Hawes, in discussing the relation of forests to rainfall, expressed his belief that the low moral conditions recently pointed out by Supt. Baras as existing in certain rural sections of the State are due in large part to lack of good farm labor to develop the lands, and he brought out the important bearing of large forest areas upon water conditions, both for good and for ill.

Mr. Hawes advocated the purchase of large areas of forest land in the Green Mountains by the government of this State.

Manager Frank H. Parker of the Burlington Light and Power company, the last speaker of the evening, took up the relation of water-power and supply to the production of electricity.

He made a special plea for State legislation looking toward the storage of water, and, at the conclusion of his remarks, Professor Votey took occasion to emphasize this point.

The affair closed with the singing of "Grand Old Vermont."

The success of the banquet was due in very large measure to the hard work of Professor Votey, who had gone into details even to the extent of making a scale drawing of the dining room, to assure every guest of all necessary elbow room at the tables. Manager Colamer of the hotel had in like manner made his preparations so completely that the menu and service was everything to be desired.

GROWTH OF THE C. O. F.

State Court Now Has 3,500 Members in Its Jurisdiction.

Montpelier, Feb. 13.—The State officers of the Catholic Order of Foresters had their semi-annual meeting in the Knights of Columbus hall to-day. Those present were: Dr. T. M. Aubin, Swanton, spiritual director; Dr. J. B. Bachand, St. Johnsbury, chief ranger; N. E. LeCuyer, St. Albans, vice-chief ranger; William H. Driscoll, St. Albans, treasurer; directors, Jules Simays of Burlington, Frank H. Sabourin of Newport, the Rev. J. B. E. Poullet of Essex Junction, John L. Burns of Northfield. Only one director was absent, Edmond LaFrance of Bennington.

The membership contest, which will end in July, shows gratifying progress. To-night Vice-Chief Ranger Simeon Viger of Lawrence, Mass., was the principal speaker and several clergymen and officers from courts in the State made remarks.

The State court was organized in Montpelier June 4, 1895, and there are now under its jurisdiction 45 courts with 3,500 members.

Bishop Michael court was organized at Windsor last night with 37 charter members. The officers of the court are: Chief ranger, Peter E. Javie, recording secretary, John C. Phillips; financial secretary, Samuel A. McClinton; treasurer, Leon J. Mayo. The instituting officers were Dr. J. D. Bachand, Simeon Viger and Frank W. Sault. The drill team of Phil Sherridan Court, No. 51 of Richmond, exemplified the degree work, a large attendance from New Hampshire and Vermont being present.

HEARING PACKS TOWN HALL

Three Men at Swanton Charged with Burning a Summer Camp.

Swanton, Feb. 13.—The town hall was filled to-day at the hearing of James Hakey and Ira Hakey, charged with burglary and arson in connection with the recent burning of the William Jay Barker summer camp, and of Charles Hakey, arrested later as a confederate.

The hearing opened at nine before Justice Gates. State Attorney George M. Hogan appeared for the State and Fred L. Webster of this place and C. G. Austin of St. Albans for the defendants. The witnesses for the State were Mr. Barker, who came on from New York, Civil Engineer E. H. Dewart of Burlington and Herman Hilliker, the caretaker of the camp. The latter was on the stand when court adjourned this afternoon. The hearing will be continued at nine to-morrow morning.

COLD WAVE GOES TO PIECES

Canton, N. Y., Held Official Record with Temperature of 22 Below.

New York, Feb. 11.—The cold snap which made its presence suddenly felt early yesterday, sending the mercury down to lower figures than have prevailed for years in many localities, notably northern New York, was measurably broken late to-day, the temperature rising to somewhere near the normal winter average. The effects of the abnormal temperatures were still felt, however, train blockades in up-State sections, where snow accompanied the cold being only partially raised, while ice barriers in harbors along the coast made navigation difficult and in some places impossible.

Morning temperature readings were still at low points below zero reports coming from Albany, where 19 was reached, Buffalo 2, Portland, Me., 6, and Providence, R. I., 2, while Canton, N. Y., was the coldest spot in the country to report, officially, with 22 below. This city's record was one below.

Temperatures slowly rose all around during the day and to-night were generally from 10 to 15 degrees above the earlier figures. The local weather bureau expected a further rise to-morrow.

New York harbor to-day was about as nearly icebound as it ever gets. The surface of the bays was thick with heavy ice and navigation was extremely difficult. Four officers had trouble in boarding incoming vessels through the close-lying cakes which ground along in the flow of the tide with irresistible force. Huge blocks of ice piled up on the shores as the tide receded. Liners were docked with difficulty and ferry service on all sides of Manhattan was demoralized. The Long Island sound entrance to the East river was all but impassable, it taking steamers several hours to break their way through the ice off Throgs Neck. An unidentified fishing smack was sighted in distress in the ice in the lower harbor and as life savers were unable to reach her, passing vessels were asked to give aid.

Suffering in the poorer quarters of the city during the night was intense. Two deaths from the cold and many cases of collapse from exposure were reported.

A wife raises her husband's salary, in effect, when she saves some of it, through studying the ads and finding opportunities to economize.

TWO MONTHS' ADJOURNMENT

Hearing on New Station Will Be Resumed April 9.

Public Service Commission Suggests That Unwieldy Committee of Fifteen Give Way to Three Practical Business Men.

Robin redbreasts will be chirping merrily when the public service commission comes to Burlington again in the next session of the hearing Tuesday in the federal court room, on the matter of a new union station, an adjournment was taken until April 9, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

"Where are we at?" was the question that went round in the corridor of the courthouse Tuesday afternoon when adjournment was taken. Everyone was sure they had heard much talk but no one was sure he had any very clear idea of what had been accomplished.

One thing had been proven beyond a doubt, and that was that the public service commission had become convinced that the committee of fifteen as a whole had made a bundle of the station project. Chairman Redmond announced just prior to adjournment that he believed the best interests of the city would be served by placing the station matter in the hands of a small committee, not to exceed three, composed of practical business men, and clothing them with authority to give the public service commission some definite information concerning what Burlington wants.

The city, by the terms of the latest adjournment, has another long breathing spell in which to prepare a plan and submit it to the commission. The city, also, has a chance to notify the commission, through a committee, as to what it would like in the way of a station. It is thought possible that a plan will be drawn up following the lines of a plan submitted by F. O. Sinclair. Mr. Sinclair's plan occupied much of the attention of the commission Tuesday and it is possible that a compromise plan may be drawn from it.

When the hearing was resumed Tuesday morning, Chairman Redmond announced that the taking of evidence concerning the status of the highways crossing the tracks would be continued until a future date, owing to the absence of City Attorney M. G. Leary, who was called away by the death of a member of his family. This announcement disposed of a part of the business which was expected to be taken at that time.

The commission then took up the consideration of the last two plans submitted by the Central Vermont Railway company, showing the station located south of Main street and also between Main and College streets. A lengthy discussion followed, in which much technical testimony was given by the engineer in charge of the tracks, and also by the city engineer, who was called upon to explain the grades and other features which would enter into the adoption of either of these plans. Both these plans contemplate the elevated tracks.

THE SINCLAIR PLAN.

Shortly before noon the plan prepared by F. O. Sinclair was submitted to the commission. The plan contemplates the location of the station at the foot of Main street, west of the present tracks. The station would face the lake and would be reached by an elevated bridge from Main street, crossing the train sheds. This overpass, after crossing the tracks, would branch north and south, and King and College streets would be reached by means of ramps ending west of the tracks on each street. The traffic from the Champlain Transportation company's dock on the foot of College street would come up the ramps on a four foot wide, grade, to a point just east of the station, where the ramps would merge into Main street, thus bringing all the trucking up Main street except that which would naturally come up Maple street. This plan would also shut off College and King streets at a point just below Battery street by means of a fence. In order to reach the lake front from either of these two streets it would be necessary to go to Main street, cross the overpass and then continue to the foot of College or King streets on the ramps. The tracks under this plan would remain at their present elevation and would be reached by means of a stairway leading from the station.

Many objectionable features to the Sinclair plan were brought out but it was also shown that the idea conveyed in the plan might be worked out with other features which would eventually make it a very plausible scheme. Mr. Sinclair expects before the next hearing to complete estimates of the cost more in detail and change some of the objectionable features to meet the ideas of the railroad engineers.

It should be said in connection with the Sinclair plan that Mr. Sinclair only began work upon it last Friday and it had, therefore, not been worked out in as complete detail as it doubtless will be at the next hearing.

NEW CENTRAL VERMONT PLAN.

When the hearing was resumed at the afternoon session a new plan was presented by the Central Vermont company. This plan proposes leaving the tracks on the level as at present, moving the Central Vermont freight shed east of the tracks and placing the station at the foot of Main street. The station would be constructed so that it could be adapted to the future if desired, and a proposed subway under the station is arranged for, to remove the objection that has been raised that the station would block Main street. This plan proposes reaching the west tracks by means of an overhead bridge and the east tracks by a subway from the interior of the station. The objection to this plan would be the leaving of College, King and Maple streets unprotected and the changes would call for four tracks across these streets where there is but one track at the present time.

All of these plans, together with views and plans of the exterior and interior of the station, occupied the attention of the commission until shortly before adjournment. Just before the conclusion of the hearing two representatives of industries along the lake front were given opportunity to be heard. E. J. Booth, speaking for the J. R. Booth Lumber company, stated that the elevated tracks such as proposed and the occupation of Lake street would put his concern out of business. The Booth company now teams lumber across the tracks and an elevated structure would make it necessary for the company to draw lumber a mile around in order to get across the tracks. J. E. Miles, representing the Burlington Grocery company, stated that the elevated structure would interfere with the company's business as it did not know where another location for the company could be found. Whatever money damage might be paid, he said, for destruction of property would not begin to cover the real damage to the company. Both Mr. Booth and Mr. Miles said they had been accused of not taking enough interest in the station plans but that they had supported the committee of fifteen were looking after the matter.

CALLED TEXAS JUDGE A LIAR

Court Immediately Adjourns and Whips the Intemperate User of Words Soundly.

Midland, Texas, Feb. 13.—Judge, you are a liar," Benet went the gavel. "This court will stand adjourned till I whip the man who just called me a liar," exclaimed the Judge.

Immediately proceedings halted and Judge J. H. Knowles, presiding in common session, withdrew with Commissioner Jules Driver.

"This is undignified conduct, but entirely (but mainly, according to my (ding) view, commissioner," declared Judge Knowles, as he soundly beat his gavel.

Commissioner Driver belted his name, "Knowles, who witnessed the fight between Benet and a few minutes later, Knowles appeared to have felt that he had made the punishment fit the crime. The object lesson completed, Judge Knowles reconvened court, fined himself for fighting and then the interrupted proceedings were resumed.

The dispute arose when Commissioner Driver questioned Benet in terms as asserted by Judge Knowles concerning the court's action at a previous session.

BURNED BABY IN STOVE.

Confession of Mother Borne Out by Bones in Ash Barrel.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 13.—Mrs. Ada McCarren put her five weeks old baby in the stove and burned it alive, according to a confession which the police say she made to-day when arrested on suspicion that she could account for the disappearance of her child, which had been missing from her home nine days. Small bones found in an ash barrel in the house led to the arrest of the woman, who had previously said the child had been kidnapped. The police believe she is mentally deranged.

TRAGEDIES TOLD IN HEADLINES.

(From the Chicago Tribune.) "Lecturer Offers Big Reward for Lost Pocketbook. No Questions Asked." "Boy with Package of Catarrh Snuff Breaks Up Mind-Cure Meeting." "Mothers' Congress Still Wrangling Over Servant-Girl Question."

"Elevator Starts Up with Only Half of Dashed and Ends Down."

"Curried Bridegroom's Railway Ticket Locked Up in Trunk Coming on Next Train."

"Winner at Bridge Party Meets Foot-pad on Way Home."

"Blood in His Eye: Says He Didn't Know 'Cat Wanted' at My House."

WOULD MBAN WIDOWHOOD.

The cook for a well-known Seattle family left, and no other could be obtained, so the lady of the house did the cooking herself, with such satisfactory results that, after a month, her husband gave her a beautiful set of scales.

Of course the neighbors soon heard of this, and when the cook left in another equally well-known family the lady of that house said to her husband:

"Well, the cook has gone and I'm not going to bother to get another. I'm not going to do the cooking myself, dear. You hear what Mr. So-and-so gave his wife when she did the cooking?"

And, putting her arms round his neck, she cooed: "What shall I get for my cooking?"

"Woman," said her husband, pushing her away, "you will get a long black veil"—Saturday Evening Post.

CARNIVAL WEEK PROGRAM

Full List of Sports for Week of February 19-23.

Washington's Birthday the Big Day, with Monster Parade and College Make-Walk—Special Rates on the Railroads.

The plans for carnival week are nearly finished. The heads of the different committees met Saturday evening at the Hotel Vermont, and went over the program for the great occasion in a general way.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

Afternoon—Toboggan slide and coasting hills open; ice boating on Lake Champlain, skating, curling. Boys' free-for-all skating race on Champlain rink at 4:30 o'clock.

Evening—Grand opening and illumination of the coasting hills, with torch-light procession, tobogganing, coasting, skating.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

Morning—Coasting and tobogganing, and visits to the smelt fishing shanties with fishing through the ice on Lake Champlain.

Afternoon—Ice boating, coasting, hockey, tobogganing, curling, hockey match on Champlain rink at 2:30 between the Fort William Henry team and the All-Collegians of the University of Vermont, men's free-for-all skating race on Champlain rink and broad and high jumping contests on skates at 3:30.

Evening—Illumination of toboggan slide, coasting, skating and curling.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

Morning—Fancy skating tournament and skating at Champlain rink, coasting and tobogganing, and visits to the smelt fishing shanties with fishing through the ice on Lake Champlain.

Afternoon—Ice boat racing, sleighing, skating, hockey, coasting, tobogganing, free-for-all skating race for men and broad and high jumping contests on Champlain rink at 2:30 o'clock.

Evening—Grand procession of traverses, coasting, tobogganing, skating and curling. Masquerade for tobogganists at the Hickok slide, preceded by torch-light procession of masqueraders.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

Morning—Sleighing in barges for guests to different points of interest, starting from Hotel Vermont at 9:30. Coasting and tobogganing, and visits to the smelt fishing shanties with fishing through the ice on Lake Champlain.

Noon—Kake-Walk parade by U. V. M. students in costume.

Afternoon—Hare and hound chase on snowshoes, ice boat races, coasting, tobogganing, skating, hockey match on Champlain rink at 2:30 between the Elmshurst team, with Larry Gardner, captain, and the All-Collegian team of the University of Vermont of Burlington. Curling match at 4:00 o'clock. Men's free-for-all skating race and broad high jumping contest on Champlain rink at 5:00 o'clock.

Evening—Grand illumination of Champlain rink, toboggan slide and coasting hills, with fireworks at the rink, and slide, tobogganing, coasting, skating and curling. Kake Walk at U. V. M. gymnasium at 7:45. The distinctive feature of the college year.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23.

Morning—Coasting, tobogganing and skating and visits to the smelt fishing shanties with fishing through the ice on Lake Champlain.

Afternoon—Coasting, tobogganing, skating, ice boating and curling. Boys' free-for-all skating race at Champlain rink at 4:30 o'clock. A general invitation is extended to all children for this afternoon, giving them free access to all the different sports.

Evening—Tobogganing, coasting and skating.

Thursday-Washington's birthday—is to be the big day of the week. The railroads are making special excursion rates for that day and the two days following it, and with tobogganing, coasting, skating, fishing through the ice, and a variety of races and contests, and illuminations and fireworks in the evening, it will be indeed an event.

Thursday evening is also the night of the college "kake-walk" at the University of Vermont. This exhibition, held in the university gymnasium, consists of a series of elaborate exhibitions and vaudeville performances by the college men occupying all of a long evening and followed by the "walking for the cake" in true old Dixie style, and closed by a program of dancing. It is held annually on the night of Washington's birthday, it is entirely unique with the University of Vermont, where it originated, no other college in America having a like custom, and it draws every year an audience of 1,500 people.

This year the kake walk has been incorporated in the program of the winter sports, and the evening of the 22nd has been reserved for this event. Out-of-door sports have been provided on a large scale for those who prefer them, but it is certain that large portions of the visitors to Burlington will be attracted by the college performance, and plans are being made accordingly.

MONSTER STREET PARADE.

Arrangements are now being made for a big street parade at noon on the 22nd. Winter sports will be made a feature of this parade, and the college men are to have a large share in the spectacle. The college "peacocks," which attract crowds every June, is a great annual success, but the winter sports parade is to be a different thing entirely.

A hare and hound race on snowshoes, and a masquerade at the toboggan slide are other features of carnival week. Every day there will be potato races on skates, high and broad jump contests on skates and races at the rink. Monday and Friday there will be short races, which any child may enter free of charge, and on the other days there will be contests for older persons. No red tape will attend entries for these races and there will be prizes for the winners.

LIPTON DIDN'T KNOW BOYD.

New York, Feb. 11.—Sir Thomas Lipton has called his American representative regarding a news item which stated that James Boyd, once a wealthy merchant of Glasgow and business partner of Sir Thomas, died in poverty at Trinidad, Colo. The telegram from Sir Thomas reads: "The statement with regard to Boyd partnership absolutely untrue. Know nothing of the party named." Lipton would never have deserted an old friend.

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